



## **Emily RILEY**

Address: 420 S Clemens Ave. Lansing, MI 48912 E-Mail: [rileyem2@msu.edu](mailto:rileyem2@msu.edu)

Phone number: 541.601.6474

### **Education**

2009-present: Current **Graduate Student** in the Department of Anthropology at Michigan State University

June 2007 : **B.A Cultural Anthropology, French ; B.A International Degree in Anthropology Oregon State University**; Thesis: *Ethnographic Insights into Rural Senegalese and American Youth*

June 2007- July 2007 : **Oregon State Ethnographic Field School** (Department of Anthropology)

Subject: Food Security in Rural Oregon; Graduate Student Leader

2004-2005: **Exchange Student L'Université de Lumière Lyon 2, Lyon, France**

### **Research Interests**

Cultural Anthropology, Ethnography, identity politics and subjectivities, Islam, development, culture of money, Senegal, West Africa, African Studies

Dissertation topic: Socio-political and religious intersections in Senegalese society: The case of excessive spending for family ceremonies

### **Scholarships/Awards/Grants**

2010-2011: **Interdisciplinary Inquiry Teaching Fellow, James Madison College**

2010-2011: **African Studies FLAS Fellow** Advanced Wolof

Summer 2010: **CASID/GenCen FLAS Fellow** Intensive Wolof Study, Dakar, Senegal

2006: **OSU Anthropology Study Abroad Award, Liberal Arts Scholarship**

2003-2004: **Kiekel, International Degree; Sally Maleug French Scholarship, OSU Foreign Language Department**

2003: **Undergraduate Research Innovation Scholarship Creativity Recipient** for Anthropology Research Project

### **Professional Development**

2009-present: **Exploring Africa Project** with the African Studies Center. Developing teaching curriculum on Senegal, West Africa to teach middle and high school students of African history, politics and culture.

2009-present: **MATRIX African Oral Narratives** helping write metadata and interpret archival documents for digitization. Project: Islam and Tolerance in West Africa.

2008-2009: **AmeriCorps member/Volunteer Coordinator with Southern Oregon Education Service District, Office of Migrant Education Medford, OR** recruiting, managing, and evaluating volunteers working with migrant students and families. Curriculum development, head tutor for family literacy classes and Hispanic high school outreach program.

2008-2009: **French Sub Teacher and Conversation Group Leader- Southern Oregon University** preparing activities and related materials; lead conversation group for French 101 and 201

2007-2008 : **English Language Assistant (Elementary and University levels) Cahors, France** Independent preparation of class activities. Professor status and work with classes of 30 students as well as small group work at the university level.

06.07-07.07 : **Professor's Assistant; Berber Culture Conference- OSU** organizing and carrying out tasks; Coordination between Oregon State professors and visiting students and professors. Computer and telephone work.

2006-2007 **Columnist for The Daily Barometer** weekly forum columnist describing internship in Senegal, and student life at Oregon State University

2006-2007 : **Office Assistant and Cultural Ambassador for the International Programs Office- OSU** organization of international exchange material and support for prospective exchange students. Give public presentations regarding international experiences and promote programs offered through the university.

06.05- 12.005 : **Research intern for NGO Tostan, Senegal West Africa** head of independent research project on child marriage in the southern region of Senegal. In charge of questionnaire development, translation, interviews, transcription, writing of final report for the NGO archives.

05.04-03.07: **Professors' Assistant in OSU Anthropology Department** employed to transcribe research interviews; organize and code research transcripts for various projects on food security and Alaskan eskimo culture.

05.04- 08.04 : **Student Researcher for Professor's Book Teaching Oregon Native Languages**;

**Professional Training:** English Language Learner Tutor Training with Southern Oregon Education Service District; Communication and Conflict Resolution with Oregon State Service Corps/AmeriCorps

**Fundraising and Events Coordinator** for **GO Sustainable** a non-profit organization working supporting sustainable farming through local farmers around the world.

### Languages

**French** (fluent)- **Wolof** (advanced)- **Spanish** (basic)- **Russian** (basic)

### Volunteer Work

October 2010: **Africanist Graduate Student Conference** main organizer and presenter of guest lecturer.

2010: THAT Camp MATRIX Conference Michigan State University

September 2008- present: Organizer and English Language Volunteer for **Northwest Seasonal Worker's Association part of the National Labor Federation**

2009 **Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Task Force**, Medford, OR

Winter 2006: Guest speaker, Oregon State's Annual **Social Change Conference**

Winter 2006 : **French 201 Teaching Assistant**, OSU

2005-2006 School Year: OSU **French club President and French Ciné Club Co-President**